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Medical

Providing a hostel for the students of the Government School of Indian Medicine.

*567 Q.—Mr. A. Kaleswara Rao: Will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government are aware that the mufassal students of the Government School of Indian Medicine are suffering in health and comfort for want of hostel accommodation; and

(b) what steps Government propose to take for providing the students with a hostel?

A.—(a) A report has just been received from the Principal of the School regarding the need for a hostel.

(b) The matter is engaging the attention of the Government.

Mr. A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar:—"In the answer it is stated that a report has just been received. May I know, Sir, when the report was actually received by the Government?"

11-45 a.m. The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"I should say within a month, Sir."

Mr. P. Anjaneyulu:—"May I ask, Sir, whether it is likely to materialise before the next budget, Sir?"

The hon. Mr. S. Muthiah Mudaliyar:—"The Government will take as early steps as possible under the circumstances."

Industries

Proposed transfer of the Government rights of mortgage on the Carnatic Paper Mills.

*568 Q.—Dr. B. S. Mallayya: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have decided to transfer to an European purchaser their rights of mortgage on the Carnatic Paper Mills for a sum of 4½ lakhs of rupees, and if so, what are the conditions of the transfer;

(b) whether it is a fact that the share-holders have invested in the company a sum of over 13 lakhs;

(c) whether the Government have taken any action to safeguard the interests of the share-holders; and

(d) whether the Government will be pleased to consult the shareholders and give an opportunity to the Legislative Council to discuss the matter before effecting the transfer?

A.—(a) The question of the disposal of Government interest in the concern is under consideration.

(b) Yes.

(c) No.

(d) In view of the discussions of the Legislative Council that took place on this subject on the 5th September 1928 it is not proposed to take any action as suggested.